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STANISLAW POBORSKI

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Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 2807]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 2807) for the relief of Stanislaw Poborski, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to grant the status of permanent residence in the United States to Stanislaw Poborski. The bill provides for an appropriate quota deduction and for the payment of the required visa fee and head tax.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is a 41-year-old native and citizen of Poland who last entered the United States as a visitor on March 8, 1950. He was formerly employed by the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. of New York as a geologist and is presently engaged in a detailed study of the Triassic Age deposits and fossils in southwestern Utah. He is stated to be highly skilled in the science of geology in general and in the field of petroleum geology in particular. His current work is for the purpose of writing his thesis to obtain a doctor of philosophy degree at Johns Hopkins University where he is enrolled as a graduate student.

A letter dated October 17, 1950, to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives from the Deputy Attorney General with reference to H. R. 8556, which was a bill intro-

duced in the Eighty-first Congress for the relief of the same alien reads as follows:

OCTOBER 17, 1950.

Hon. EMANUEL CELLER,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This is in response to your request for the views of the Department of Justice with respect to the bill (H. R. 8556) for the relief of Stanislaw Poborski, an alien.

The bill would provide that, in the administration of the immigration laws, Stanislaw Poborski shall be considered to have been lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence as of March 8, 1950. It would also direct the Secretary of State to instruct the quota-control officer to deduct one number from the nonpreference category of the immigration quota for Poland.

The files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of this Department disclose that the alien, a citizen of Poland, who is unmarried, was born on June 10, 1910, at Luslawice, Poland. He last entered the United States at the port of New York on March 8, 1950, as a temporary visitor under section 3 (2) of the Immigration Act of 1924 for a period of 3 months.

When interviewed on June 26, 1950, the alien stated that he had entered the United States as a temporary visitor on three different occasions, the first being January 1, 1949, for a period of 2 weeks, the next August 2, 1949, for a period of approximately 6 weeks, and the third being the entry of March 8, 1950. He added that on the last-mentioned date he was in the employ of the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., of New York, as a geologist; that he has since terminated his employment with that company and is now attending Johns Hopkins University, working toward a Ph. D. degree; and that he is presently engaged on the preparation of his thesis having selected as his topic The Triassic Formation in Utah. He said that prior to his coming to the United States he had studied geology at Krakow, Poland, and at the Regia University in Rome, Italy, and that, upon obtaining his degree, he hopes to secure employment with the United States Geological Survey. The alien also stated that in 1945 he had applied for an immigration visa under the Polish quota at Caracas, Venezuela; that upon receiving his first nonimmigration visa his name was taken off the waiting list; and that he is not now employed but is maintaining himself from his savings.

According to information supplied by the alien, he has resided in Poland from the time of his birth until September 1939; he was wounded while serving in the Polish Army and was sent to a Polish military hospital in Bucharest, Rumania. In October 1939 he proceeded to Rome, Italy, where he remained until June 1941, when he went to Portugal and sailed for Colombia, South America, on July 10, 1941. He worked for the Shell Oil Co. in Colombia from February 1942 until July 10, 1948, when he was employed by the Socony Oil Co. From April until June 1950 he resided in Baltimore, Md. He further stated that his Polish passport had expired on April 30, 1950; that he did not have it revalidated because he preferred not to have anything to do with representatives of the present Polish Government, but admitted that he had it renewed by the Polish consulate in Pittsburgh, Pa., in January 1949. There is nothing in the record to indicate that he is not a person of good moral character.

The quota for Poland, to which the alien is chargeable, is oversubscribed and an immigration visa is not readily obtainable. The record fails to present sufficiently impelling reasons to warrant enactment of special legislation granting him a preference over other persons chargeable to that quota.

Accordingly, this Department is unable to recommend enactment of the bill.

Yours sincerely,

PEYTON FORD,
Deputy Attorney General.

Congressman Thaddeus M. Machrowicz, the author of the bill, submitted to the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives the following information:

SOCONY-VACUUM OIL CO., INC.,
New York, N. Y., January 24, 1951.

Re H. R. 8556, a bill for the relief of Stanislaw Poborski, by Mr. Chesney, May 18, 1950.

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,
*Chairman, House Committee on the Judiciary,
House Office Building, Washington, D. C.*

DEAR CONGRESSMAN CELLER: I sincerely hope that you will see your way clear to reintroduce the bill concerning Mr. Poborski's permanent residence in the United States, for I feel that Mr. Poborski will prove to be a very useful and loyal citizen professionally, as well as in private life.

Mr. Stanislaw Poborski, a geologist personally known to me since 1945, was in the employ of the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. from July 5, 1948, to February 28, 1950. During his employment he was assigned to the task of a detailed stratigraphical study of a structurally highly complicated portion of the Venezuelan Andes. At all times, Mr. Poborski fulfilled his work in the highest professional manner and proved himself an able and practical field geologist.

I can vouch for his thorough professional training, his great ability, and for his absolute personal integrity.

Your very truly,

E. JABLONSKI, *Chief Geologist.*

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY,
DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY,
Baltimore, Md., January 25, 1951.

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,
*Chairman, House Judiciary Committee,
House Office Building, Washington, D. C.*

DEAR CONGRESSMAN CELLER: I have learned from Mr. Stanislaw Poborski, a graduate student in this department who is working under my supervision, that you have informed Mr. Burke of the Polish American Congress that a statement concerning Mr. Poborski would be of aid in securing congressional consideration of the bill granting him immigrant status in this country.

As I understand it, it is desired to have a statement indicating that Mr. Poborski has "some special skill needed by some scientific or industrial institution in this country." Mr. Poborski has spent 8 years working as a petroleum geologist in South America and came to us with high recommendations from his previous employers. His work as a graduate student in our department has served to confirm to us their judgment that he has special abilities in that field. We have always had a demand for men trained as petroleum geologists, and in view of the present world situation with the increased need for petroleum products, can foresee no lessening of this demand in the near future. With respect to Mr. Poborski, I cannot state that any specific petroleum company has requested his services; this is solely because he has not completed his studies and we have, as a result, made no effort to place him in any of the positions that have come to our attention. Once his graduate studies are completed, which may possibly be by the end of the present school year, and especially once his immigration status is made clear, I am satisfied that there will be no difficulty in finding some American petroleum company that will be anxious to avail itself of Mr. Poborski's special abilities.

At the present time, as a graduate student, Mr. Poborski is engaged in a research project on the stratigraphy and paleontology of deposits of Triassic Age in southwestern Utah. His work is giving him added special skills that will make him more valuable as a scientist in this country. At the present time, to my knowledge, there are only two men who might be considered as specialists in the field of Triassic paleontology. One is Dr. Siemon W. Mueller, a professor at Stanford University, the other is Dr. Bernard Kummel, an instructor or assistant professor at the University of Illinois. Both of these men work on a part-time, when actually employed, basis for the United States Geological Survey because that organization has been unable to find any man with sufficient training whom they could employ

on a full-time basis for this work. It is recognized, of course, that Mr. Poborski's present status precludes his obtaining, in the near future, the citizenship necessary for him to secure employment as a Government scientist; nevertheless, I believe that the above is an indication that he has, and is now further developing, special skills that will be needed by American scientific and industrial organizations.

Very sincerely yours,

H. E. VOKES,

Professor of Paleontology and Stratigraphy.

In addition, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary has received the following letter dated August 5, 1951, from Edwin D. McKee, assistant director, Museum of northern Arizona, with reference to the bill:

MUSEUM OF NORTHERN ARIZONA,
Flagstaff, Ariz., August 5, 1951.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: I understand that Mr. Stanislaw Poborski, an associate of this institution, has been given favorable consideration in a bill (H. R. 2807) for his relief and that this bill is soon to be brought before your committee for attention. I am, therefore, writing in behalf of Mr. Poborski.

Mr. Poborski is at present engaged in a detailed study of the Triassic Age deposits and fossils in southwestern Utah. He is doing a highly skilled and very excellent piece of research of importance to the science of geology in general and to the field of petroleum geology in particular. I have had the pleasure of following his studies in detail, advising him both in the laboratory and in the field, and I consider his work to represent an important contribution to our knowledge of this subject.

The research currently undertaken by Mr. Poborski is being done without remuneration and is to be used as a Ph. D. thesis at Johns Hopkins University where he is enrolled as a graduate student. It is planned that the material will be published in one of the geological journals, however, for it represents data of value to the profession, not available elsewhere. If for any reason Mr. Poborski is not permitted to complete this project on which he has been working for the past year and a half, our research program would suffer a real setback.

In conclusion, I wish to vouch for Mr. Poborski's qualifications as a professional geologist of excellent ability and considerable experience and as a man of high integrity.

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN D. MCKEE,
Assistant Director.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H. R. 2807) should be enacted.

